(SRI B. D. JATTI)

Ration Cards have been distributed within a radius of 5 miles of Magadi Town and the cards have been assigned to the societies situated in Magadi Town.

Ramanagaram Taluk :—

Food grains are being distributed through 18 Societies and Fair Price Shops. Identity cards have been issued to such of the villagers as are in need of food grains from the depots and as have approached the Tahsildar and their cards have been assigned to Co-operative Societies and Fair Price Shops. In villages in which there are no Societies or Fair Price Depots, the villagers obtain their rations from the Soceities or Fair Price Shops located in the nearest village. Applications for licence for retail dealers are also considered in respect of villages where there are no Societies or Fair Price Shops.

Failure of Students in S. S. L. C. Examination.

Q.—76. SRI C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of students who failed in the S.S.L.C. Examination each year during the last three years in the State ;

(*b*) whether any arrangements have been made to give tuition to these failed students : so that they may appear for the subsequent examination and pass through the course ?

A.—SRI S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Education).—

No. of Students failed.

(*a*) May 1963...28,245
March 1964...39,819
April 1965...44,654.

(*b*) No.

Results in the S. S. L. C. Examination.

Q.—77. SRI C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether any investigation has been made in cases of High Schools in the State which had poor results in the S S.L.C. Examinations held during the last two years ;

(*b*) the action taken by them to improve the result of these High Schools ?

A.—Sri S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) In Non-Government Schools a cut in the grant-in-aid has been ordered if results are below standard and in Government School disciplinary action is being taken against staff. Besides, the Teachers' workload has been reduced and Inspecting Officers are instructed to exercise check on the class room work of teachers and students. Career Masters have also been appointed to guide students to select elective subjects suitable to their aptitudes.

Periodical Checking of High Schools.

Q.—78. Sri C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

whether any periodical check is being conducted by the Department of Public Instruction with regard to the number of qualified staff, equipment, Laboratory, Library in the newly started High Schools in the State ?

A.—Sri S. R. KANTHI (Minister for Education).—

Yes.

Manchanabele Project.

Q.—79. Sri C. R. RANGE GOWDA (Magadi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that representations have been made to Government to take up early the Manchanabele Project which is a flood control-*cum*-Irrigation Project ;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that investigation is completed in this behalf ;

(*c*) if so, when Government intend sanctioning the Project ?

A.—Sri S. NIJALINGAPPA (Chief Minister).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Feasibility investigations are complete.

(*c*) The Project report is under scrutiny and expected to be finalised shortly.